s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v35)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=310, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{17}{31}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S = 310 + 291.92 + 274.9 + 258.87 + 243.78 + 229.56 + 216.18 + 203.57 + 191.7 + 180.53$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 291.92 + 274.9 + 258.87 + 243.78 + 229.56 + 216.18 + 203.57 + 191.7 + 180.53 + 170$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 6 + 6(4) + 6(4)^{2} + 6(4)^{3} + \cdots + 6(4)^{61} + 6(4)^{62} + 6(4)^{63} + 6(4)^{64}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.